

# Quote

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## MAY WE *Quote* YOU ON THAT?

No informed person has seriously questioned that the special session of Congress would vote stop-gap relief to Europe. There has been, of course, some sincere dissent amongst those who feel that the gesture is a futile one. However, both parties are committed to the project and public opinion strongly favors the grant. This is one of those propositions where the Administration can work both sides of the street. Those individuals who are not moved by the plea to restrain Communism will accept the humanitarian aspects of the endeavor. But it now appears that Democratic leaders may run into stormy weather in seeking appropriations for remainder of fiscal yr. Public did not clearly understand that \$597 million originally asked by Sec'y MARSHALL covered period only to March 31. It's obvious that permanent MARSHALL PLAN can't become effective before mid-yr. Under prodding from Sen. VANDENBERG, Sec'y MARSHALL estimated total interim aid bill of \$2,657,000,000 for 7 mo's. Sen. TAFT, while accepting aid principle, is "agin" such generous grant. Some compromise may be expected . . . The real battle will come over administration of fund. Republicans will try to thwart TRUMAN efforts to make political capital of relief. Probably can muster strength to force bipartisan control.

Dr LYMAN BRYSON, CBS counselor on public affairs: "Radio in Europe today is not entertainment, it's a form of serious journalism." 1-Q

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GEO W WARNECKE, N Y bldg financier: "Two yrs from now — sooner in some areas—the housing shortage will be a thing of the past." 2-Q

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ALVIN E DODD, pres of American Mgt Ass'n: "Unless we bring our competency in human relations to the level of our prowess in technical developments, we face the possibility of mass desertion from our system of industrial organization, simply because it may not offer the human satisfactions to those who man the organizations." 3-Q

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HENRY J TAYLOR, radio news analyst and commentator: "Fascism and Communism alike shoot down opposition; democracy votes down its opposition." 4-Q

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PHILIP REED, chairman, Gen'l Electric Co: "This is heresy, but what you learn (in school) is not very important. It's the habits you form, the approach you take to a problem, the power of analysis that study gives you—those are the big things." 5-Q

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Dr ALBERTO LLERAS CAMARGO, director-gen'l of Pan American Union: "Power of any kind, but particularly mat'l power, well-being, wealth and armed strength cannot be reserved for any single country." 6-Q

Gen'l NICOLAS RADESCU, former Romanian premier: "The civilized world has to give up any illusions it may still entertain regarding Soviet intention. Soviet leaders have but 1 thought — to expand their system of gov't all over the world in order to dominate it, and if given time, nothing will deflect them from this aim." 7-Q

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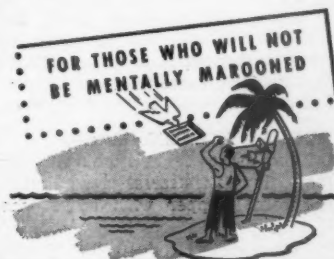
La Tribune De Geneve, Switzerland: "The world suffers from dollarium Trumans." 8-Q

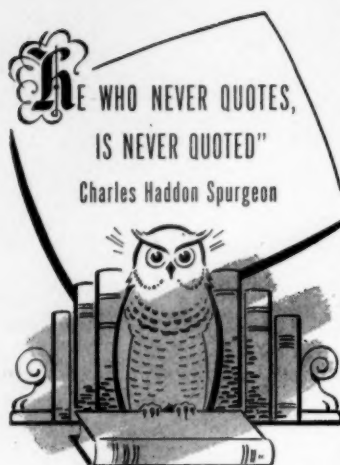
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HENRY A WALLACE, former vice-pres of U S: "Before the war half of our nat'l budget went for social security, housing, public works, resources development, education and other constructive purposes. Today only 10% of our nat'l budget is allotted for such purposes." 9-Q

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JAS HILTON, novelist: "I think that in 100 yrs the balance between constructive and destructive activities of mankind will have swung to the former again . . . I would forecast the world's greatest cities then as Johannesburg, Los Angeles, Sao Paulo and Alma-Ata (Siberia)." 10-Q





#### ACTION—1

A rabbit, investigating a cry for help, found a frog struggling in a deep hole. "What's the trouble?" asked the rabbit. "I can't get out," wailed the frog. "I'll run and get a ladder," promised the rabbit.

When the rabbit ret'd with the ladder, however, he found the frog sitting on the bank. "I thought you couldn't get out of that hole?" he said.

"I couldn't," explained the frog. "But a snake crawled in, and I had to."—*Modern Industry*.

#### ADVERTISING—2

He who doesn't advertise is like a man who winks in a dark room. He knows what he's doing but nobody else does.—*Canning Trade*.

#### AMERICA—Responsibility—3

America is still a land of the future, and must bear a heavy responsibility in shaping the world of the future. It is time to "put away childish things" and to substitute the vision of adulthood for the day-dreaming of adolescence. We need to temper perfectionism with patience, and stiffen tolerance with a sense of values. Above all, we must prize the power that is ours by reason of our very existence as a nation—not to glory in it for self-gratification, but to learn to use it with a sense of responsibility, to serve the cause of human freedom.—*ESTHER C BRUNAUER, Think*.

#### ATOMIC ENERGY—Uses—4

Those who fear atomic energy may find themselves tossed into the same hopper with those who

feared and fought alternating electric current. Today d c and a c do their work without conflict and no one is filled with fear because 95% of all electric energy is transmitted by alternating current.

Geo Westinghouse was once looked upon by many as a monster whose alternating current was a murderous thing. It was called a killer. Even Edison, wise as he was, fought bitterly against Westinghouse.

People are still killed by alternating currents, but only when electricity is misused. The right thinking of experts has made it one of the greatest servants of mankind. Atomic energy will eventually be made useful in the same way.—*High Road*, hm, Rice Barton Corp'n.

#### BEAUTY—5

All beauty does not hang upon a museum's walls, nor grace dim old cathedral aisles. Beauty is here and there along the way you walk each day. It can give your heart rest in a turbulent, bewildering world.

Tuck a bit of it here and there into the little niches of your memory. Beauty was not meant to waste. It was given to lift up the heart and make it sing.—*Upward*.

#### CHILDREN—Training—6

A man who gives his children habits of industry provides for them better than by giving them a fortune.—*Fraternal Monitor*.

#### CONTRACTS—7

No society, whether capitalist, socialist, or communist, can survive for 10 min's if it abandons the principle that a contract is sacred.—*REBECCA WEST, Meaning of Treason*. (Viking)

#### DEMOCRACY—8

Democracy is based upon the conviction that there are extraordinary possibilities in ordinary people.—*HARRY EMERSON FOSDICK, Today's Woman*.

#### DIVORCE—9

"In seeking the causes of divorce," a cynic once said, "it should be noted that divorce is always preceded by marriage." Last wk the Nat'l Office of Vital Statistics announced that marriages have hit an all-time high—and that divorces have, too. During '46 there were 2,285,539 marriages — 42.6% more

than in '45 and 613,000 divorces—24.1% more than the yr before.—*N Y Times*.

#### EDUCATION—10

John Adams, in a letter to his wife, Abigail Adams: "I must study politics and war that my sons may have liberty to study mathematics and philosophy. My sons ought to study mathematics and philosophy, geography, natural history . . . navigation, commerce and agriculture in order to give their children the right to study painting, poetry, music, architecture."—*Ladies' Home Jnl*.

#### GOVT—Spending—11

Reduced to simple arithmetic, federal expenditures last yr amounted to \$1,155 per family, as compared with \$250 per family in '38 and \$121 in '29.—*Bakers Review*.

#### Incentive

Had Abraham Lincoln been living today: The Rotary Club would supply him with a set of books. The Lion's Club with a reading lamp. The Cosmopolitan Club with writing equipment. The Kiwanis Club with a wooden floor for the cabin. He would have the protection of the child labor law and gov't old-age insurance. A kindly philanthropist would send him to college with a scholarship. Incidentally, a case worker would see that his father rec'd a monthly check from the county. The OPA would reduce the rent by 50%. He would receive a subsidy for rail splitting; another one for raising some crop he was going to raise anyway, and still another subsidy for not raising a crop he had no intention of raising.

Result: There would have been no Abraham Lincoln.—*Scottish Rite Bulletin*. 12

#### HEALTH—13

A group of financiers stood nervously around the ticker, looking at the tape which would mean fortune or poverty to them as stocks rose or fell.

Their breath came in tight gasps, and some wiped their perspiring faces with already damp handkerchiefs.

The man who had the most to gain or lose was not in the group

around the ticker. He was back in his quiet office, calmly throwing darts at a board on the wall.

"That man," says Dr Jay B Nash, chairman of the dept of physical education of N Y Univ, "is the man who'll have the happiest and the longest life."—BOOTON HERNDON, "Relax and Live Long," *American Wkly*, 11-2-'47.

#### HISTORY—14

Chas A Beard, asked if he could summarize the lessons of history in a short book, said he could do it in 4 sentences:

- 1) Whom the gods destroy, they 1st make mad with power.
- 2) The mills of the gods grind slowly, but they grind exceeding small.
- 3) The bee fertilizes the flower it robs.
- 4) When it is dark enough, you can see the stars.—*Your Life*.

#### HOUSING—15

A home built at present prices is truly a home of the brave.—JOHN S BROCKMEIER, *Western Catholic Sunday Visitor*.

#### HUMAN NATURE—16

What is human nature but the capacity to have social images, to put oneself in the other person's place, and to look at oneself, so far as one is able, in the mirror of the attitudes of other persons?—ERNEST W BURGESS & HARVEY J LOCKE, *The Family*. (American Book Co)

#### IDEALS—17

Ideals are to run races with. The moment we stop chasing them they sit down and become opinions. —*Lutheran*.

#### LABOR—Mechanical—18

In 1850 the work done mechanically accounted for only 7% of the total; that done by human hands 14%; that done by animals 79%. Today 90% of the work is done mechanically, while animal power has dropped from 79% to 6%, and human labor from 14% to 4%. —*Dodge Messenger*.

#### November

Again it's timely to quote those old pun lines of Thos Hood:

*No comfortable feel in any mbr;  
No shade, no shine, no butterflies, no bees;  
No fruits, no flowers, no leaves, no birds,  
November!*

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#### MEMORY—20

In his gripping tale, "The Haunted Man," Chas Dickens tells of a chemist haunted by unhappy memories. As he sat one night before the fire, troubled by the memories of the past, a phantom made its appearance and told the man he could relieve his distress if he would permit him to take away his power of memory. The unhappy chemist became a man who could remember nothing, either good or bad. But so great was his misery, and so great the misery he inflicted upon others, for he had been given the power to strip others of their memory, that he besought the phantom to restore his memory. The tale closes with the prayer, "Lord, keep my memory green."—CLARENCE EDW MACARTNEY, *Pulpit Preaching*.

#### MOVIES—vs Education—21

The movies are certainly playing a significant part outside of school. Hollywood spends more money on one luscious stage set to enhance a materialistic or shallow view of life than the schools of America spend on new education films for a whole yr. Even if schools had the money, there is not enough visual mat'l to buy for school use. For millions of young people, morals, behavior patterns, and attitudes toward life are being made in Hollywood, not in our schools.—GEO H HENRY, *Survey Graphic*.

#### ORGANIZATION—22

Moses had a sage and observing father-in-law, Jethro. Jethro no-

ticed that, as Gen'l Mgr of the Children of Israel, Moses was running a 1-man show. The minor prophets would line up in the ante-room and wait all day to get into Moses' private office and ask for his judgment on some such matter as the proper fine for overparking a camel.

Said Jethro to Moses: "Provide out of all the people, able men, and place such over them, to be rulers of thousands, rulers of hundreds, and rulers of tens; and let them judge the people. Every great matter they shall bring unto thee, but every small matter they shall judge; so it shall be easier for thyself, and they shall bear the burden with thee."—L V BEDELL, "Organization Planning," *Modern Mgt*, 10-47.

#### ORIGIN—"Turkey"—23

After the coming of the Spaniards to America, wild turkeys were sent to European mkts, and that is where they gained their name. The merchants, who were mostly Hebrews, thought that this new bird was a kind of peacock and so called it by their name for the peacock, which was "tukki." More or less constant use of this term resulted in the English word "turkey." —LAURA A BOYD, *Our Dumb Animals*.

#### PEACE—24

We are apt to forget that peace is a fruit. Paul was right when he wrote in Galatians 5:22, "The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace." If peace is a fruit, it follows that peace cannot be established or mfr'd in the same manner as a car or a boat. Before there can be fruit there must be root and branch. We cannot mfr peace any more than we can mfr an apple or an orange. But we can plant the seed, we can nourish the branch, we can attend to the roots, we can spray the tree to keep off the insects that would blight the fruit. Haying done these things we can expect the fruit to appear — and it will.—EDWIN E DEUSNER, *Rotarian*.

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**ADVERTISING—Display:** Plastic manikin that can be blown up like a balloon, or deflated, stored away in a few in's space, is being mfr'd by Barbera Originals, N.Y. (*News-week*)

**AUTOMOBILE — Accessories:** Simple clamp eases problem of mounting tire chains. Slip thru second loop of chain, fasten clamp to tire, then back up car. Chain is pulled tightly around wheel to position where ends can be secured and clamp removed. (LAWRENCE N GALTON, *Nat'l Home Monthly*)

**COMMUNICATIONS:** "Tele-lock" locks dial phones, prevents outgoing calls without interfering with incoming ones. Light in weight, lock has nickel finish, comes equipped with 2 keys. (*Best's Insurance News*)

**HEATING — Ventilating:** Two electrical heating systems now under test are based on use of thin sheet fastened to walls by nails or staples. One uses carbon particles embedded in plastic sheets; the other, called heated wallpaper, uses fine wire element in an insulating sheet. Both permit use of decorative colors. (*Printers' Ink*)

**OFFICE EQUIPMENT:** Memo pad now on mkt operates with paper being supplied from roll. All notes taken are preserved for future reference when fresh paper is needed, and when the roll is filled, it can be filed conveniently away. (*Advertiser's Digest*)

**PHOTOGRAPHY:** Eastman Kodak has developed movie camera which can be used to record television programs by taking them straight off "picture tube" in television station. (*Tide*)

#### PRIDE—Workmanship—25

A man had taken a fine old piece of furniture to a cabinet maker to be refinished. When the day came on which the work on the table was to be completed, the cabinet maker had the table turned upside down and was busily polishing it on the inside. The man calling for the table remarked, "Oh, don't bother with that side; it doesn't show and no one will know," to which the cabinet maker repl'd, "Oh, but I would."—*Christian Science Monitor*.

#### SABBATH—Observance—26

According to an ancient custom, the Cotswold shepherds are buried with a ball of wool on their chests to excuse them on arriving in the next world for not attending church on acct of their occupations. A cynical parson, referring to the custom, suggested that some in his congregation might well be laid to rest with a golf ball on their chests.—THOS H WARNER, *Church Mgt.*

#### SCIENCE—27

Should one conclude that Germany had not enough science, or that science alone is not sufficient to prevent a nation's ultimate downfall? — Prof HARVEY LETHEMAN, Ohio State Univ, quoted in *American Affairs*.

#### TOLERANCE—28

Knowing myself intimately, I am able to take a more sympathetic view of myself than other people can be expected to take, and I forgive myself for shortcomings that in anybody else would distress me. —ROBT LYND, *The Peal of Bells*.

#### TRUTH—29

How often we refuse to read a book, or listen to a talk, or accept evidence that may possibly change our fixed opinion? We worship ignorance. We fear the truth.

We are like the Chinese young woman in Lin Taiyi's novel, *The Golden Coin*. She had been found to be near-sighted. When she tried on her 1st pair of glasses, she squealed like a child.

"I thought everyone saw the way I did," she said. "All my life I have seen as I see now. People are blurred in the distance, clear when they are near. I am not sure I want to see the distance clearly now . . . I'm not sure it is natural."

She broke the spectacles. To see

even the distance clearly might show up too much plainness and not enough mystery. Knowledge is often painful. Truth takes away our cherished prejudices and beliefs. Too often we also refuse to accept the help of that which will lessen our ignorance and bless us with more that is true.—*Pegmatites*, hm, Golding-Keene Co.

#### The Psychiatrist Looks at Nature

Observe the season's effrontery—  
Blatant, promotional;  
The misdeameors of the wind,  
The rain—emotional;  
The inconsistency of shade,  
Rain's schizophrenia;  
The eccentricities of night,  
Day's neurasthenia. — FRANCES  
GIBSON, R N, *Jnl for Nurses*. 30

#### WISDOM—31

In a school in the African jungle the catechist was relating the story of Herod's murder of John the Baptist.

"And now he swore unto her," he read, "whatever you shall ask of me, I will give you, tho it be half of my kingdom." Now you," the catechist went on, turning to a 16-yr-old African boy, "you may be chief some day. What would you have done if you had made that promise and the daughter of Herodias asked you for the head of John the Baptist?"

The young African thought for a moment. "I should have told her," he answered confidently, "that St John's head did not lie in that half of my kingdom which I had promised her."—*Pax*.

#### YOUTH—Responsibility—32

The boys and girls of Offenburg (Germany) recently invited 54 French young people from Auxerre to visit them for a few days. Fortunately they understood and trusted each other quickly. They hiked, sang songs of each other's native land, danced folk dances, and, in short, got along with each other very well.

Those who were privileged to see these young people together realized that the answer to the international problems lies in the hands of the young people of today to a great extent.—*Die Neue Demokratie*. (Illustrated wkly magazine published in Baden-Baden for occupants of the French zone in Germany. QUOTE translation.)

## "Can She Make a Cherry Pie?"



In view of mouth-watering memories stirred in this Thanksgiving season, of bounteous feast tables prepared by grandma, it is perhaps untimely to present an excerpt which deflates her culinary abilities in the cold light of comparison with modern cooks and cookery. EVELYN ARDIS WHITMAN, champion of modern woman, tactfully yet plainly debunks such memories as myths in her book, *I'm Tired of Grandma* (Bobbs, Merrill, \$2.50). Freely admitting granddaughter's faults, she counters with impressive evidence to prove that grandma was not always a paragon, nor grandpa by any means entirely happy. Her indictment is certain to draw some lively discussion.

In the cartoons, the articles, the jokes of her day, modern woman is pictured feeding the nation as her ancestors did, but feeding it with a can opener in one hand and a pie from the delicatessen in the other. Behind her, clothed in the spicy steam, the memorable fragrance of the kitchens of childhood, grandma stands, flanked by layer cakes, golden-brown doughnuts, and apple pies fragrant with cinnamon.

The truth is, memory or no memory, it just wasn't so. Grandma was continually castigated in the public prints of her time for her inability to cook; ads were largely given over to cures for indigestion; one Bishop Spalding in the gay 90's thundered from the pulpit, "There would be fewer divorces if there were better cooking." All of this points to one conclusion—grandma couldn't possibly have cooked as well as the modern woman can. The flours and shortenings and leavenings, the ovens, and cookbooks and refrigeration of the time, made it a scientific impossibility.

The 1st American cookbook did not appear until 1796; the Boston cooking school, 1st of its kind, was established in 1879 — with the avowed intention of teaching the servants to cook; the 1st cookbook using accurate measurements did not appear until 1896.

Cooking is an art and its geniuses can produce unforgettable meals in any time or clime. There were wonderful cooks in the past. But the sad truth is that the urban housewife of any standing rarely did the cooking and, in what we would now call the upper middle class, often couldn't boil an egg! "Would you have a lady cook and wash?" was the shocked query in *Godey's*.

Finally, grandma never heard of "balanced" meals and understood nothing of dietetics. Even the

From the day of her wedding, Mrs G has attempted to turn out an apple pie which her husband would fall to pronounce inferior to his grandmother's. From time to time, tho he admitted improvement, he has cont'd to point out for his wife's culinary education the excellencies of grandma's pie.

One night recently she waited with more than ordinary expectation. Mr G took his 1st bite, considered it thoughtfully and produced for the thousandth time, his final verdict.

"This is good, dear, but grandma's pie was lighter. There was a different flavor somehow. Maybe it was the cinnamon or possibly—"

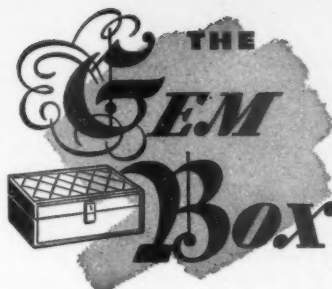
In honeyed tones, Mrs G put an end forever to the long ritual of the yrs. "John, dear, your Uncle Roy brought your grandma to visit today and she made this pie."

tables of the best cooks of the past groaned under an accumulation of starch which would make the nutrition-conscious man today wince at sight . . .

In 1896 Fannie Farmer's Cookbook sold 3,000 copies. This same cookbook passed the 2,500,000 circulation mark in 1945. The library in my town has over 300 books on cookery—which, the librarians say, are almost never in—against 23 on fashion. NBC alone carries 6 network programs on the culinary art and one of them, Betty Crocker's, rec'd last yr 300,000 requests for recipes and information about cooking.

It is difficult to believe that when the GI longed so vocally for Sunday dinner at mom's, he was dreaming of baker's cake or a pot of delicatessen baked beans.

So long as human beings find



## Ingratitude

WM PALEY

One great cause of our insensibility to the goodness of the Creator is the very extensiveness of his bounty . . . When we hear of blessings, we think forthwith of successes, of prosperous fortunes, of honors and riches . . . The common benefits of our nature entirely escape us. Yet these are the great things. These constitute, what most properly ought to be accounted blessings of Providence; what alone, if we might so speak, are worthy of its care. Nightly rest and daily bread, the ordinary use of our limbs, and senses, and understandings, are gifts which admit of no comparison with any other. Yet, because almost every man we meet with possesses these, we leave them out of our enumeration. They raise no sentiment; they move no gratitude. Now, herein, is our judgment perverted by our selfishness. A blessing ought in truth to be the more satisfactory, the bounty at least of the donor is rendered more conspicuous, by its very diffusion; its commonness, its cheapness; by its falling to the lot, and forming the happiness, of the great bulk and body of our species, as well as ourselves. Nay even when we do not possess it, it ought to be matter of thankfulness that others do. — *Natural Theology*.

good food one of the major joys of life, the dining table a place of family solidarity and the smells from mother's oven the most memorable fragrance of childhood, millions of women will go right on turning out good things to eat, and millions of little boys will continue to scrape frosting from fat yellow bowls in mother's kitchen.

# GOOD STORIES

## You Can Use

Some spiritualists once sought to persuade Chas Dickens to join their group, and finally persuaded him to attend one of their seances.

"Mr Dickens," they inq'd, "what spirit among the departed would you like for us to summon?"

The author considered the question briefly, and suddenly thought of a lately departed friend, a celebrated grammarian.

"Summon Lindley Murray," he said.

Soon they told him, "Lindley Murray is in the room."

"Are you Lindley Murray?" asked the doubting Dickens.

"I are," came the ghostly reply. That was Dickens' last experiment in spiritualism. a

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A millionaire movie producer has just traded in his big limousine... Seems the ash-trays were full. — EDITH GWYNN, *Hollywood Reporter*. b

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At the age of 88, Aunt Sarah went to Europe all alone, shortly before World War I, for what she declared was her "last look around." She came back to this country to take up during her final illness the study of Hebrew. When a friend remonstrated with her for the effort this involved, she said she had always intended to take up the language and had put it off too long as it was. "I wish to be able," she said with some finality, "to greet my Creator in his native tongue." — CLEVELAND AMORY, *The Proper Bostonians*. (Dutton) c

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When a certain clothing mfr failed, he called his creditors together and induced them to accept notes for 10% of their claims, payable in 4 mo's. His bro, who happened to be numbered among the creditors, demurred. Calling him aside, the mfr said, "Don't complain and I'll make you a preferred creditor."

The bro piped down. But a few days later he ret'd and said, "I need my money. Can't you pay me now?"

"No, I'm broke," came the calm rejoinder, "and, furthermore, I'm going to tell you something: I'm

### I LAUGHED AT THIS ONE

HY GARDNER

#### Feature Writer

I thought I had seen everything until I stepped into a Times Square cab and saw a note which read: "I'd rather you talked to me than tip me — I'm lonesome. Your Driver."

"I'm a philosophister," the hackie explained. "After a fare gabs a lot the tips are bigger, but it don't seem like no tip — it seems more like a gift."

Getting out, I slipped the driver an extra quarter. "You see what I mean, bud," he winked, "you fell for it, too!" — *Parade*. -----

never going to be able to pay any of those notes."

"But," insisted the other, "I thought I was a preferred creditor."

"Oh, you are," his bro assured him. "You know now you're not going to get the money, but all those other fellows won't know for 4 mo's!" — *Pure Oil News*. d

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"I wonder how Thanksgiving originated?"

"It was probably instituted by parents whose sons had survived the football season." — *Boston Transcript*. e

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It is an enlightening and diverting experience to listen to a certain rural politician haranguing farmers to increase their farm food crops. Particularly interesting is the ringing command with which he concludes his discourses: "Plant every acre — no matter how small!" — *Christian Science Monitor*. f

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Half a century ago Washington was not the bustling city it is today, and out-of-town news-hawks, there to cover Congress in session, frequently had to make their own headlines.

One day during a lull in congressional activities a group of re-

porters conferred dismally. There was no news, and in desperation one suggested a society item for the home-town papers. They racked their brains for something exciting. Then one bright boy exclaimed, "Let's report that the Pres' wife has decided to stop wearing a bustle."

That was their scoop. The young and beautiful Mrs Grover Cleveland considered the matter too insignificant to warrant contradiction, but she realized some explanation would be necessary if she cont'd to wear a bustle. She immediately struck out in quest of a new gown. And that was the beginning of the end. The Gay Nineties caboose was thereafter left more and more behind. — HARRY P WILLIAMS, *Woman*. g

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A maliciously gossipy old dowager, who pretended to be a very noble character, boasted to Ethel Barrymore: "Nobody ever doubted my piety."

"Don't you mean your magpiety?" the actress sweetly suggested. — ANDREW MEREDITH, *Your Life*. h

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The green young It was assigned to a new detachment. He was a very small and helpless looking individual, and when he 1st appeared before his co there were many audible comments made about his apparent ineptness. From the rear of the ranks a voice boomed, "And a little child shall lead them." There was a roar of laughter.

Seemingly undisturbed the It finished the business of the day. Next day there appeared a notice on the bulletin board: "Co A will take an 18 mi hike today with full packs. And a little child shall lead them on a great big horse!" — *Wiesbaden Post*. i

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At a wkly staff conference at a Naval amputation center the educational officer reported an unusual vocational choice. One patient said he was interested in "office appreciation." "What kind of a job is

that?" he was asked. "You know what music appreciation is," he repl'd; "there are those who cannot play or sing, yet they enjoy watching other people play or sing. I like to watch other people work in an office." He did not, we fear, get the job.—*Pleasures of Publishing*, hm, Columbia Univ Press. j

Congress is supposed to represent the pulse of the nation. Nowadays it acts more like a hardened artery.—WALTER WINCHELL, syndicated col. k

Asked why he lived in small dusty rooms in the top floor of Hollis Hall, Chas Townsend Copeland, famous Harvard prof, repl'd: "I shall always live on the top floor. It is the only place in Cambridge where God alone is above me." He paused, and added, "He's busy — but He's quiet."—*Alexander Animator*. i

Sitting around the pot-bellied stove in the village store, the loungers finally got around to the subject of big feet. Many whopping pedal extremities were described.

"Jake Moreland had feet so large," said one loafer, "that he had to have his shoes made special. No store carried his size in stock."

"Weston Brubaker," said another, "had 2 feet which, when took together, measured 1 yd."

"Humph!" sneered old man Mooten. "You ain't never seen any big feet. Why I knowed a man down in Louisiana what had such big feet that the only way he could knock on a door was to back up to it." Mooten was awarded the prize.—*Wall St Jnl*. m

A man went into the drug store to buy some medicine, but upon reaching the counter, he forgot what kind he was sent for.

"What does it sound like?" asked the druggist.

"It sounds like a large city."

"Well, let's see," mused the druggist. "London, Chicago, San Francisco, Liverpool—"

"That's it! That's it!" said the

man, brightening up. "Carter's Little Liverpools!"—*Swanson News-ette*. n

A daughter rec'd from her father a lovely mink coat.

Daughter: "What I don't see is how such a lovely fur coat can come from such a sneaking, smelly beast."

Dad: "I don't ask for thanks, dear, but I really must insist on respect."—*Christian Observer*. o

I noticed that the new pastor was delivering unusually short sermons. When I commented on their brevity to my husband, who doesn't like hard church pews, he glanced at me, pondered a bit, then drawled:

"That preacher knows what he's doing. The mind can absorb only as much as the seat can endure."—*Denver Post*. p

Barry Fitzgerald reported for his role in *The Sainted Sisters* and had a preproduction lunch with the producer Richard Maibaum. Their conversation concerned Barry's role.

"Tell me," Barry asked, "did ye write me part in Irish?"

"Of course, Barry," said Maibaum. "All your dialogue was rewritten after we were sure you were going to do the part."

"Well, that's fine," genial Barry repl'd; "only ye needn't really have bothered. You could have written it in Scandinavian and it would have come out Irish just the same."—*Louisville Courier-Jnl*. q

It is traditional that a good waiter invariably says "Yes" to any request, no matter how odd. This story is told of a gentleman dining in a Paris restaurant who facetiously asked the waiter to bring him "a sphinx a la Marengo."

"But I grieve to say we have no more, monsieur," repl'd the waiter.

"What! No more sphinx?" exclaimed the guest, pretending to be astonished.

The waiter lowered his voice and murmured confidentially, "We do have some left, monsieur, but the truth is I should not care to give them to you as they are not quite fresh."—GATES HEBBARD, *Gourmet*. r

# WISECRACKS

OF THE WEEK



This may be the zipper age but a lot of people are still straight laced.—HOWARD A NEWTON, *Transit News*.

Bachelors should be arrested for contempt of courtship.—PHIL BAKER, radio program.

BLACK LOOKS FROM RUSSIA: Moscowls.—*Dublin Opinion*.

INFANT PRODIGY: Small child with highly imaginative parents.—L & N *Employes' Magazine*.

INFANCY: The changing age.—SALLIE BRISTOW, *Catholic Digest*.

The way to a man's pocketbook is thru his hobby. — *Reformatory Pillar*.

The shortest distance between high prices and low wages is the headline.—BILL GORDON, P M.

At Lake Success a warmonger tells this apocryphal story to prove Stalin is really a sweet, thoughtful man: One day, while making a speech in Red Square, Stalin was interrupted by a man's sneezing. "Who sneezed?" he asked. There was no answer . . . He ordered the troops: "Shoot down the 1st row of people." The shots were fired, and the people in the 1st row fell . . . "Who sneezed?" Stalin cont'd. Again no answer. "Shoot the next row," he ordered. The shots were fired and the people fell. "Who sneezed?" Stalin demanded. A man in the rear confessed: "I sneezed."

Stalin smiled sweetly and said: "Gezuntheit." — LEONARD LYONS, syndicated col. s





### Congress Represents The Country

Ofentimes we thoughtlessly scoff at Congressmen and think them less intelligent than the rest of us. Actually they are fit representatives.

When Ellsworth Buck went to Congress he learned that the 435 mbrs of the House are a surprisingly accurate cross-section of the U S. There is scarcely an activity in which some mbr is not experienced and expert.

"There are fruit growers from Calif," he says, "cattlemen from Tex, miners from Mont, dairymen from Wis, corn farmers from Ia, sugar planters from La, cotton growers from Miss, truck farmers from Pa, lumbermen from New England. There are captains of industry and a st-sweeper. There are labor leaders and labor baiters. There are lawyers from tiny county seats and lawyers rich in corp'n practice.

"There are heads of great businesses and country storekeepers. There are doctors, dentists, a veterinarian, a minister of the gospel, schoolteachers, a medical missionary, actresses, authors, univ prof's. There are city politicians and country politicians. There are statesmen and ward heelers.

"There are Rhodes scholars and men who murder the Queen's English. There are orators and there are mbrs who have remained continuously silent. There are honest men and there are demagogues. There are rich men who serve at financial sacrifice and there are poor men whose sacrifice is even greater because they barely eke out meager livings after necessary expenses of office.

"There are hard-working mbrs and slackers. There are men and there are women.

"Finally, there are Republicans and there are Democrats, whose respective numbers accurately reflect the thinking and the viewpoint of the people who make up these United States." — *Nashua Cavalier*, hm, Nashua Gummed & Coated Paper Co.

### Some Concessions Must Be Made, But . . .

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"I am heartily in favor," said the Leading Industrialist, "of this reciprocal trade program!" "I, too," declared the Prominent Mfr. "We must have freer trade."

"However," resumed the L I, "I make blidgets, which as you know, are turned out by slave labor in Sandarobia. To allow even inferior blidgets to enter almost duty free would be ruinous." "Yes," said the P M, "and a 10% cut on didgets, so that I would have to compete with peon-made products of Pontavia, would likewise ruin the country."

A Union Leader overheard the conversation. "I do not agree with you on a lot of things, but if those guys in Washington let down the bars on gradgets, such as are made in our plant, our men will be thrown out of work overnight, they say."

A Little Fellow spoke up puzzled: "How can this be, gentlemen? You are all in favor of expanding our trade with the rest of the world thru reciprocal trade treaties. But none of you is willing to permit tariff reductions on your products. I thought everyone would have to make some concessions so as to restore world trade and perhaps prevent another war?"

"You are right," said the Leading Industrialist, the Prominent Mfr, and the Union Leader. "Some concessions must be made, certainly. But obviously they can't be

made in our products. Perhaps in cabbages . . ."

"No, not in cabbages!" shouted a Farmer.

The Little Fellow walked away thinking about what would happen at Geneva.—*Iron Age*.

Bill Stern, the famous radio sports commentator, told me about the best football story I ever heard.

Before Lou Little became head coach at Columbia, he occupied a similar post at Georgetown. One yr there was a youngster on the squad who was no great shakes as a football player, but whose personality served as a morale booster for the whole team. Little was deeply fond of the boy. He liked the proud way he walked arm in arm with his father on the campus from time to time.

About a wk before the big finale with Fordham, the boy's mother phoned Little. "My husband died this morning," she said. "Will you break the news to my boy? He'll take it better from you."

When the boy came back 3 days later he begged, "Coach, I want to ask something of you that means an awful lot to me. I want to start in that game against Fordham. I think it's what my father would have liked most."

Little hesitated, then agreed. "O K, you'll start, but you'll only be in there for a play or two. You aren't quite good enough and you know it." Little started the boy — but never took him out. For 60 full, jarring min's he played inspired football, running, blocking, and passing like an All-American and sparking the team to victory.

Back in the clubhouse, Little threw his arm around the boy's shoulder, "Son, you were terrific today. You never played that kind of football before. What got into you?"

The boy ans'd, "Remember how my father and I used to go about arm in arm? There was something about him very few people knew. He didn't want them to. My father was totally blind. This afternoon was the 1st time he ever saw me play." — BENNETT CERF, *Omnibook*.



